



# Wisconsin Ag News – Milk Production

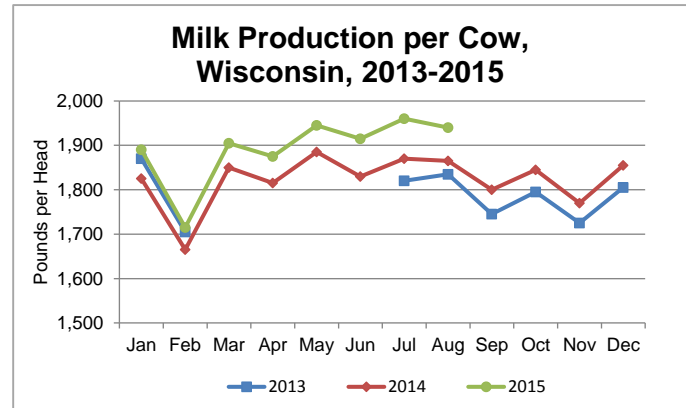
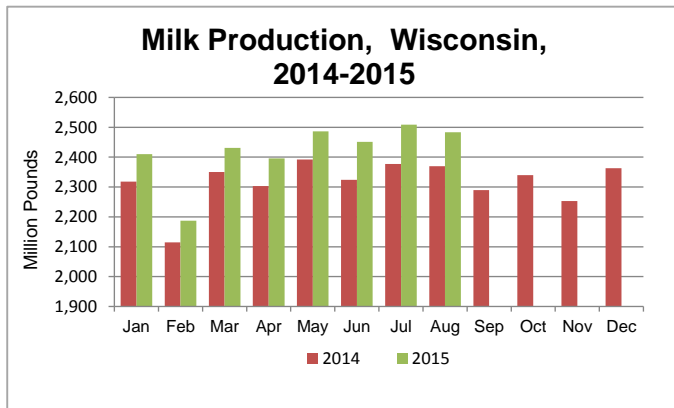
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**Milk production** in Wisconsin during August 2015 totaled 2.48 billion pounds, up 5 percent over the previous August, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Milk Production* report. This is the highest August milk production on record for Wisconsin. The average number of milk cows during August, at 1.28 million head, was unchanged from last month, but 9,000 more than a year ago. Monthly production per cow averaged 1,940 pounds, up 75 pounds from a year ago.



## Milk Cows and Production – Selected States: August 2014 and 2015

State	Milk Cows <sup>1</sup>		Milk Per Cow <sup>2</sup>		Milk Production <sup>2</sup>		
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	Change from 2014
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
Arizona .....	193	195	1,915	1,940	370	378	2.2
California .....	1,779	1,778	1,940	1,875	3,451	3,334	-3.4
Colorado .....	145	145	2,135	2,220	310	322	3.9
Florida .....	123	125	1,565	1,560	192	195	1.6
Idaho .....	579	585	2,095	2,090	1,213	1,223	0.8
Illinois .....	94	94	1,565	1,600	147	150	2.0
Indiana .....	179	181	1,830	1,840	328	333	1.5
Iowa .....	208	211	1,855	1,900	386	401	3.9
Kansas .....	143	144	1,810	1,805	259	260	0.4
Michigan .....	394	409	2,115	2,120	833	867	4.1
Minnesota .....	460	460	1,660	1,740	764	800	4.7
New Mexico .....	323	323	2,100	2,010	678	649	-4.3
New York .....	615	619	1,915	1,950	1,178	1,207	2.5
Ohio .....	266	266	1,720	1,750	458	466	1.7
Oregon .....	123	121	1,725	1,700	212	206	-2.8
Pennsylvania .....	530	530	1,680	1,685	890	893	0.3
South Dakota .....	97	107	1,855	1,905	180	204	13.3
Texas .....	470	462	1,785	1,790	839	827	-1.4
Utah .....	96	96	1,990	1,990	191	191	0.0
Vermont .....	132	132	1,725	1,700	228	224	-1.8
Virginia .....	93	91	1,580	1,595	147	145	-1.4
Washington .....	272	274	2,060	2,035	560	558	-0.4
<b>Wisconsin .....</b>	<b>1,271</b>	<b>1,280</b>	<b>1,865</b>	<b>1,940</b>	<b>2,370</b>	<b>2,483</b>	<b>4.8</b>
23-State Total .....	8,585	8,628	1,885	1,891	16,184	16,316	0.8

<sup>1</sup> Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

<sup>2</sup> Excludes milk sucked by calves

# United States Milk Production

**Milk production** in the 23 major States during August totaled 16.3 billion pounds, up 0.8 percent from August 2014. July revised production at 16.6 billion pounds, was up 1.3 percent from July 2014. The July revision represented an increase of 5.0 million pounds or less than 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

**Production per cow** in the 23 major States averaged 1,891 pounds for August, 6 pounds above August 2014. This is the highest production per cow for the month of August since the 23 State series began in 2003.

The **number of milk cows on farms** in the 23 major States was 8.63 million head, 43,000 head more than August 2014, but unchanged from July 2015.

**Milk production** in the United States during August totaled 17.4 billion pounds, up 0.8 percent from August 2014.

**Production per cow** in the United States averaged 1,863 pounds for August, 5 pounds above August 2014.

The **number of milk cows on farms** in the United States was 9.32 million head, 53,000 head more than August 2014, but unchanged from July 2015.

